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REMARKS

The claims now pending are claims 5-16. Claims 1-4 have been cancelled without prejudice. Claims 5-16 are newly presented. Claims 5-16 are believed to be in full compliance with § 112, second paragraph. The title of the invention has also been amended to more closely conform to the subject matter recited by the pending claims. In addition, a replacement Abstract has been provided that more closely conforms to the pending claims. Finally, the priority claim has been amended to even more clearly recite that the present Application claims priority only to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/845,245.

The Examiner is also requested to consider the Information Disclosure Statements filed on February 22, 2002, October 21, 2002, and May 23, 2003. To this end, Applicant has enclosed a copy of the Imasaka et al, "Optical Chromatography," Analytical Chemistry, Vol. 67, No. 11, pp. 1763-65, June 1, 1995 reference identified in the May 23, 2003 Information Disclosure Statement in the event a copy of the reference is missing from the file.

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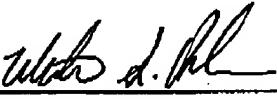
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